



City of Menomonie

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March 3, 2021

Public Notice

On the morning of March 2, 2021, a sewer force main at a lift station (sewage pumping station) at 801 21st Avenue North, Menomonie, Wisconsin, was found to be cracked and leaking. Water was seeping up through the road and was thought to be coming from a broken water main. Upon further investigation it was determined that the water was likely coming from the force main leading away from the sanitary sewer lift station. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources was notified at 9:22 AM.

Some of the wastewater had reached the ditch along Interstate 94. The storm water catch basin on 21st Ave was sealed and sandbagged. A bypass pump was immediately set up to pump wastewater from the lift station up the hill to the sanitary manhole on Wilson Street. The lift station pumps were then shut off and the force main was drained to stop the leaking. City crews used a back hoe bucket to scrape the frozen wastewater off of the street and a Vactor truck was used to vacuum up all of the liquid and frozen wastewater. The street was excavated and the cracked pipe was repaired. The lift station was then returned to normal operation to ensure that the problem was fixed prior to backfilling the excavation site.

Pursuant to the requirement of NR 210 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code, this public notice is being posted regarding this event.